

EAU CLAIRE BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting of February 21st, 2023

Members Present: Larson, Dobson, Francis, Henricksen, Perrault (left at 7:30), Scott, Berg, Kmetz

Members Absent: Sorenson, Myre

Staff Present: Hufford

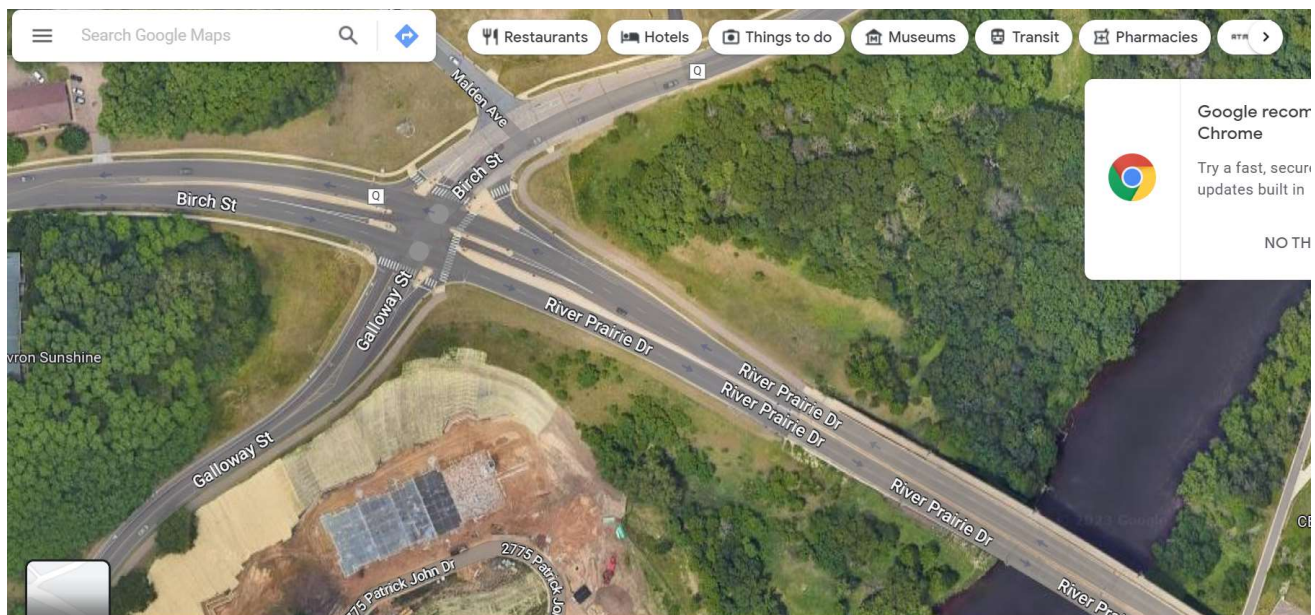
Visitors Present: Bob Burch

1. Call to Order & Introduction of Visitors. Chair Francis called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

2. Reading and approval of minutes of the past meetings January 17, 2023. Committee member Perrault moved to approve the minutes. Committee member Berg seconded and it was approved.

3. Open Public Comment Period for Items that do not appear on this Agenda noted as Public Hearings or Items for Public Discussion.

Concerns about Galloway, Birch St. Galloway flats trail doesn't go anywhere. Safety issues crossing street on Galloway. Interested when trail will be developed under west end of River Prairie Bridge. Can something be done with signal, sequence light to eliminate flashing yellow.



4. Public Discussions

Item #1: Discussion of Work Plan and Creation of BPAC Calendar.

Discussed broad overview of workplan. Creating a tote to be available to take to events. A number of events and initiatives were identified by the group, some leaders and timeliness were established.

Reminder of walking quorum rules.

- Safe Routes to School Plan Update – March 2023 (Partner with Hailee at WCWRPC) Perrault
 - Will check on dates for projects with Hailee at next SRTS meeting – Francis
- Bicycle Friendly Community Application Due August 2023
 - Other assistance possible from UWEC, WCWRPC, Health Dept?
 - Francis will call Madison, other cities that have Platinum status to identify how they keep maps updated.
 - Staff will have to complete application and identify data
- Bicycle Corral and Parklet Policies Review and Update – May 2023 (Summer) - Berg
 - Go to BID and DECI meetings to get feedback on use
 - Research current ordinance
 - Reach out to businesses for feedback
- Complete Streets Policy July 2023 (need prior to BFCA Aug 2023) How will community feedback be realized. What will be the metrics? Everyone will research.
 - Engineering provide history to group - March
 - BPAC Members Research other communities and bring back for discussion - April
 - Discussion with Engineering - May
 - Engineering Bring Back policy revisions for review and discussion – June
- Community Education – Perrault will coordinate a list of events to bring back in March for people to sign up for events. Berg will help with creating a list and contacts. Larson, Francis, Henricksen
- Open Street Policy (Spring 2023) Francis, Henricksen, Dobson Come back for discussion in April.
- Digital Wayfinding Map (2023) Will work on throughout 2023, Francis, Dobson, Scott, Henricksen
 - Francis will call Madison, other cities that have Platinum status to identify how they keep maps updated.
 - Print current sharrows/on-street map and update to current (All BPAC can help fill in gaps, summer).
 - Once mapping is completed can get an overall picture of where gaps may be.
- Pedestrian Assessment Questionnaire –
 - Hufford will update and send out final results of the survey.
 - How is Google maps updated?
- Input on projects, topics, and issues – Leah work with BPAC, Berg
 - Can timeframes be identified

- Review process for input
- Comprehensively Address Downtown Study Area – July

Item #2: BPAC Awards. Previous award winners

- Individual: Pat Ivory
- Business: JAMF, Volume One
- Non-Profit: Corba, WCWRPO
- Would like to start doing annual awards again
- Everyone comes up with one for each category, BPAC vote. (March/April)
- Francis will share document from previous awards, Hufford will send to BPAC members
- Larson will lead

Item #3: Summary of Pedestrian Assessment Questionnaire. Discussed within workplan, Hufford will compile results and send update.

5. Other Business Agenda Items

Item #1: Menomonie Street Tunnel Update: City hired consultant to provide analysis of tunnel feasibility. City is looking at crossing at multiple locations and trail alignment along Menomonie Street. Funding alternatives are also being evaluated for tunnel and grant application possibilities.

6. Discussion and Direction

A. Safety Concerns.

- Trail along river behind businesses on Water St has erosion issues.
- Dewey and Galloway, should be a tunnel under Dewey, four-way stop will be beneficial. Where Chippewa River State Trail crosses. Need to explore options for safety enhancements.
- In front of YMCA, a lot of kids and families running across the street. Area is dark. People cross mid-block. Cross walk at Seaver and cross walk signs might slow people down.
- Fairfax and Clairemont, multiple issues. Crossing from school to businesses.

B. Future Agenda Items.

- See items throughout minutes

C. Announcements.

- Questions on boardwalk and when it will go back to council after bids. Suggested to reach out to Steve Plaza for more details.

7. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m. by chair Francis.

Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "JJ Henricksen". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

JJ Henricksen, Secretary